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(April 15, 2004- TROY)- Mayor Harry Tutunjian will officially open up the Frear Park Golf Course Friday morning by offering up the first drive of the season.

Tutunjian will be at Frear Park at 8:30 a.m. to kick off what should be an exciting season at the course. Just two weeks ago, Tutunjian hired a Golf Course Superintendent to overlook the day-to-day maintenance of Frear Park, and the dividends are already paying off. Those who have seen parts of the course are saying it looks better than ever.

Though lacking a Phil Mickelson prowess off the tees, Tutunjian will drive the first ball off Tee Box 1 shortly after 8:30 a.m.

"We're going to kick off the season in fine fashion- by me slicing a drive," Tutunjian said. "We look forward to an improved course this year, and hope the residents of Troy, as well as the surrounding area, come out and play one of the best courses in the area."

In 2003, Hudson Valley Magazine named Frear Park the Best Golf Course in the Hudson Valley. All members of the media are encouraged to attend the inaugural drive.

The City of Troy held gold rates for 2004 the same as the season before, still some of the lowest in the area.